

FUNDING ALERT

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Federal Opportunities

Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for **Undergraduate Programs – GEAR UP.** The Department of Education, Office of Postsecondary Education invites applications for its Gear Up program. The purpose of the program is to increase the number of low-income students who are prepared to enter and succeed in college. There are two categories of eligible applicants. For State grants, eligible applicants are State Educational Agencies. For Partnership grants, eligible applicants include institutions of higher learning, local educational agencies and additional organizations such as businesses, associations or nonprofits. Deadline is March 30, 2001. \$35.5 million is available for 75-90 Partnership grant awards and \$23 million for 9-12 State grant awards. There is a 50% match. For applications, contact EDPUBS, PO Box 1398, Jessup, MD 20794-1398, (toll free – 1-877-433-7827, www.ed.gov/pubs/edpubs.html. For further information, contact Office of Postsecondary Education, GEAR-UP, 1990 K Street, NW, Room 6252, WDC 20006-8524, (202) 502-7676, gearup@ed.gov.

National Partnerships for HIV Prevention. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention announce the availability of 2001 funds through a cooperative agreement. The purpose of this program is to develop local, regional and national leadership for HIV prevention programs and policies and provide technical assistance and service delivery to CBOs, state and local health departments and others conducting HIV prevention activities. Applicants must be tax-exempt, nonprofit national business or labor related, youth related or migrant worker related organizations, or academic institutions working with a community-based partner. Nine awards will

be made with an average award of \$225,000 for a 12-month period, with possible continuation awards for up to 4 years. The deadline is February 23, 2001. This announcement can be found on the CDC home page at www.cdc.gov, click on "Funding" then "Grants and Cooperative Agreements." To receive an application kit, call 1-888-472-6874. Questions about the documents should be directed to Julia L. Valentine, Grants Management Specialist at 770-488-2732 or jxv1@cdc.gov.

District Opportunities

Still Open: Community Outreach Campaign. The DC Department of Health, Office of Nutrition Programs (ONP), Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) solicits applications to develop, plan, implement and evaluate a comprehensive, aggressive community outreach campaign targeting pregnant women, new mothers, infants and children in under served groups. Deadline is January 31, 2001. One award of \$325,000 will be made. The Request for Application is available from 717 14th Street, NW, 12th Floor, Washington, DC 20005., 202) 727-6537. http://www.cfo.dc.gov/services/grant/funding_grants/index.shtm

Foundation Opportunities

Gifts in Kind International Product Donations.

Donates quality products and services to the needy by creating partnerships that link companies and their valuable in-kind resources with a network of nonprofit organizations. Annually more than \$350 million in computer technology, office products and supplies, clothing, educational materials, emergency supplies, construction and building materials,



furniture, appliances, etc. are donated by thousands of generous corporations. 501 (c)(3) tax-exempt organizations may apply. Contact 333 North Fairfax Street, Alexandria, VA 22314-2632; (703) 836-2121, FAX (703) 549-1481; feedback@giftsinkind.org; www.giftsinkind.org

Environmental Support Center Training and Technical Assistance Funds. Applications are being accepted by the Environmental Support Center to strengthen nonprofit environmental organizations in areas including fund raising, organizational development and planning. Eligible entities are regional, statewide or local grassroots environmental organizations serving low-income or minority constituencies that have environmental issues as a significant part of the organization's agenda. Contact: 4420 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 2, WDC 20008-2301; (202) 966-9834; FAX (202) 966-4398; www.envsc.org.

Resources & Announcements

Administrative Assistant Position Available. The DC Office of Partnerships and Grants Development is seeking an Administrative Assistant (AA). OPGD is responsible for advancing DC's strategic plan through the establishment of multi-sector partnerships and leveraging of public and private funds. The AA assists Director and staff with overall office management. Required 6-7 years of relevant work, foundation in administrative concepts and practices, advanced skills in Microsoft Word, Excell and desired working knowledge of Access and PowerPoint. Ability to communicate effectively a must and general knowledge of DC government a plus. Please fax resumes with cover letters to Luisa Montero at (202) 727-1652.

"A Region of Givers" Publication Available Free. Free copies of the study, "A Region of Givers" can be obtained from the Washington Regional Association of Grantmakers website at www.wrag.org. This study of philanthropy in the Washington metro area found that taxpayers in this area gave nearly 4% of their income to charity in 1998, a rate of giving that is 46% higher than the national average.

Roundtable on Teen Life Choices. Catholic Charities Teen Life Choices Program is hosting a roundtable discussion for service providers to share their successes, challenges and resources and to exchange information related to managing social programs for adolescents. The topic is "It's Game Time: The Importance of Recreation in a Structured Program." The roundtable will be held as a brown bag lunch discussion on January 25, 2001 at 12:30 – 1:30 pm at Catholic Charities. The address is 4914 Ayers Place, SE. For information and to RSVP by January 23, 2001, call (202) 581-9040.

Discussion Forums @ CharityChannel.com.

CharityChannel is the largest online community of nonprofit professionals. CharityChannel has over 40 discussion forums that cover all aspects of nonprofit development and management. One of the forums, DCMetro@CharityChannel.com is a general discussion forum for nonprofits, foundations, and community groups in the Washington, DC metropolitan area. Search the archives for tips on grant writing and fundraising. Visit www.CharityChannel.com

Capacity-Building for Faith-Based Organizations East of the River. The District of Columbia Government is sponsoring the second in a series of free clinics on Thursday, February 15, 20001 for Wards 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 faith-based organizations interested in strengthening their capacity to apply for competitive grants funded by District Government Agencies. The clinic will be held at the Peoples Congregational United Church of Christ, 4707 13th Street, NW, Washington, DC from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. All interested faith-based organizations are requested to register no later than Friday, February 9, 2001. Space is limited. For information or to register, call the Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development at (202) 727-6437.

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